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H. R. 1423

To provide for quality remedial education by encouraging increased partnerships between middle and high schools with community and technical colleges which have experience in remedial education services.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 4, 2001

Mr. Baca introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

A BILL

- To provide for quality remedial education by encouraging increased partnerships between middle and high schools with community and technical colleges which have experience in remedial education services.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 SECTION 1. REMEDIAL EDUCATION.
 - 4 Title X of the Elementary and Secondary Education
 - 5 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8001 et seq.) is amended by add-
 - 6 ing at the end the following:

1 "PART M—REMEDIAL EDUCATION 2 "SEC. 10996A. SHORT TITLE; FINDINGS. "(a) SHORT TITLE.—This part may be cited as the 3 4 'Quality Remedial Education Act of 2001'. "(b) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-5 6 ings: "(1) Often due to circumstances beyond a 7 8 child's control, a child may fall behind classmates in 9 attempting to obtain basic skills. Falling behind may 10 result from language barriers, emotional problems, 11 delays in development, or other interruptions in a 12 young person's educational experience. 13 "(2) It is important for these children and for 14 our society that we do not allow children to fall 15 through the cracks and be left behind. 16 "(3) Currently, too many children leave high 17 school with a set of skills inferior to those of other 18 classmates. These young people face increased dif-19 ficulty in the job market. 20 "(4) Our Nation's workforce greatly needs well-21 trained and highly-skilled workers. 22 "(5) Community and technical colleges have ex-23 tensive experience in helping to provide remedial 24 services to young people entering their programs. 25 These colleges provide an excellent source of assist-

ance in remedial education services.

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1 "SEC. 10996B. PURPOSE.

- 2 "The purpose of this part is to promote remedial
- 3 reading, writing, and mathematics educational programs
- 4 among all United States students in kindergarten through
- 5 grade 12 by enhancing national leadership in remedial
- 6 education through encouraging partnerships between local
- 7 educational agencies and community or technical colleges
- 8 that have experience in remedial education services.

9 "SEC. 10996C. GRANTS TO LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES.

- 10 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Education is
- 11 authorized to award grants to local educational agencies
- 12 that, in partnership with community or technical colleges,
- 13 help to create effective quality remedial education pro-
- 14 grams for students who are consistently behind peers in
- 15 reading, writing, or mathematics skills.
- 16 "(b) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a grant
- 17 under this section, a local educational agency shall submit
- 18 to the Secretary an application at such time, in such man-
- 19 ner, and accompanied by such information as the Sec-
- 20 retary may require.

21 "SEC. 10996D. USE OF GRANT FUNDS.

- 22 "A local educational agency that receives a grant
- 23 under this part may use such funds—
- 24 "(1) to create a quality remedial educational
- program that is specifically targeted at students who

1	are behind their grade level in reading, writing, or
2	mathematics skills;
3	"(2) to strengthen and expand current remedial
4	education programs;
5	"(3) to create partnerships with community or
6	technical colleges to offer remedial education services
7	to students who are behind their peers in reading,
8	writing, or mathematics skills;
9	"(4) to promote training of teachers regarding
10	the effective identification of students needing reme-
11	dial education; or
12	"(5) to develop or improve the existing remedial
13	education curriculum.
14	"SEC. 10996E. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.
15	"There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out
16	this part \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, and such sums
17	as may be necessary for each of the 4 succeeding fiscal
18	years.".

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